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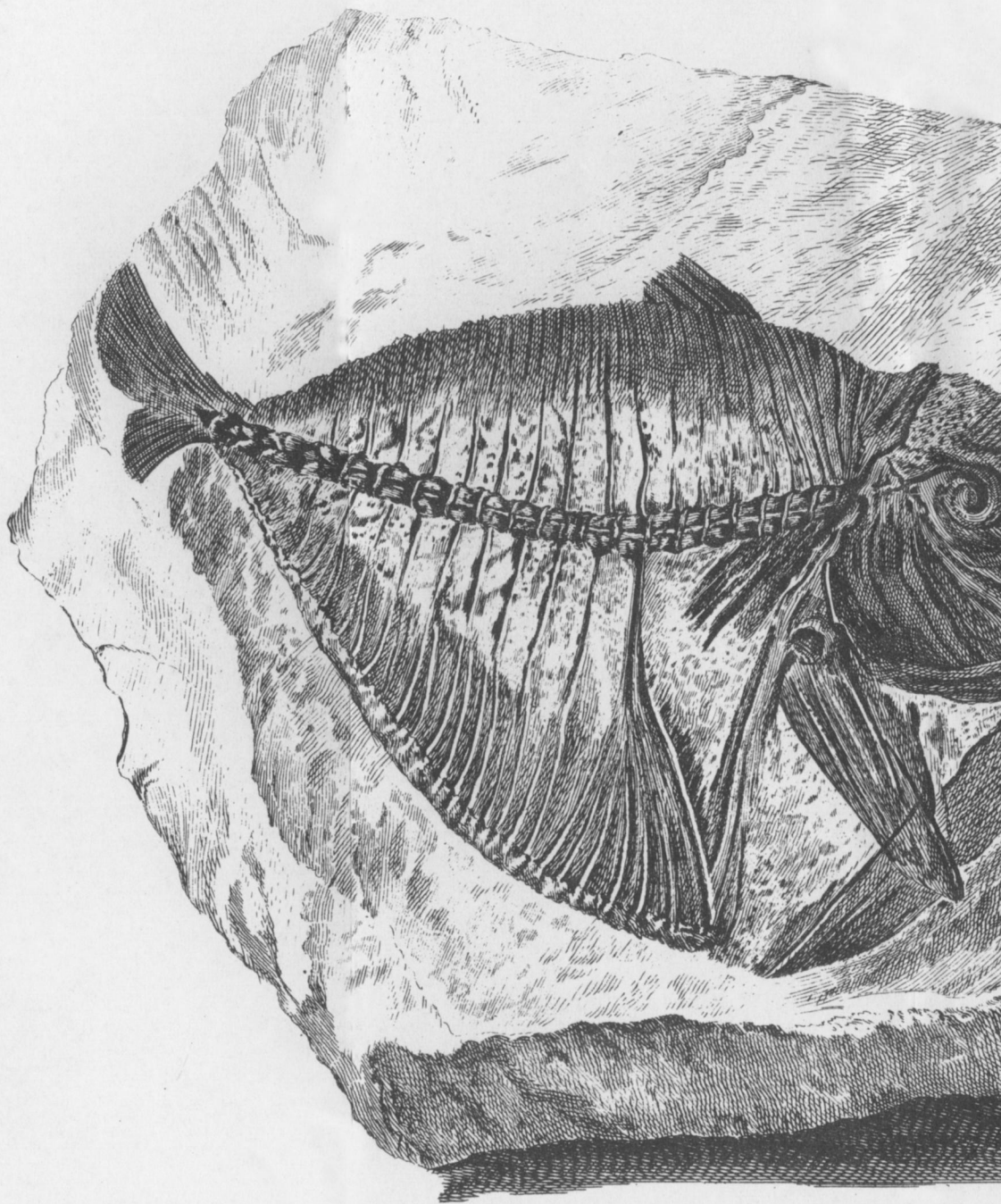
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XLIX. *A Letter to the Right Hononrable George Earl of Macclesfield, President of the Royal Society, concerning the Stones mentioned in the preceding Article. By Mr. Arthur Pond, F. R. S.*

My Lord,

Read Feb. 5,
1756.

AS your Lordship was pleased to inform me, that the council had thought fit to order Mr. Byam's account of the fossil fish, found in Antigua, to be printed, which curious specimen my worthy and most esteemed friend William Fauquier, Esq; was kindly pleased to add to my collection; I have made a drawing of it, that a print, the best illustration of the account, may accompany it, and have taken the liberty add a short description of the colours, and some other particulars, which will not be apparent in the print.

The impressiion of this fish is in a chalky kind of stone, of a pale ochrey colour; some parts, when scraped, are white, and all the impressiion is of a yellowish brown, nearly the colour of brown ochre.

The impressiions of the bones and fins are very perfect; and the cavity, that contained the back-bone, extremely sharp and delicate. When I first saw it, two or three of the vertebræ were in it. All the cavities of the bones are now sufficiently open to contain them, and 'tis probable, that most, if not all of them, were in the stone, when it was first split.

Between the rib-bones and the two long fins, which come down from the head, which parts were

only neſhy, there is not any impreſſion, the ſtone having united quite through; and on the upper part of the fin, by the ſide of the cheek, is a deep impreſſion of a very ſmall cockle-ſhell. The impreſſion on the counter-part of the ſtone is much the ſame, except that the tail is wanting.

The forms in this fiſh are ſo very delicate and elegant (as indeed they are in all the works of nature), that I do not pretend to have done them juſtice; but I have been particularly careful not to exaggerate or add the ſmalleſt trifle, by way of making it ſeem more complete or perfect than it is. I am, with the greateſt reſpect,

Your Lordſhip's

Great Queen-ſtreet,
Feb. 5, 1756.

moſt obedient and

moſt devoted ſervant,

Arthur Pond.

L. *An Account of the Effects of Lightning in the Daniſh Church, in Wellcloſe-Square. By Guſtavus Brander, Eſq; F. R. S.*

Read Dec. 18, 1755. **H**AVING been informed, that the lightning ſome time ſince had done damage to the Daniſh Church in Wellcloſe-square, Ratcliff-highway, I waited on Mr. Miſſon the miniſter, who lives in the ſquare, to know the particulars, and who very obligingly informed me,